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SUBJECT: PRESS SUMMARY - APRIL 28

1. NYT (PAGE 6) HEADLINE "VAST SOVIET NAVAL EXERCISE
RAISES URGENT QUESTIONS FOR WEST", NO DATELINE, NO BYLINE.
MORE THAN 220 OF SOVIETS NAVY'S MOST POWERFUL SURFACE
SHIPS AND PERHAPS HALF THAT MANY SUBMARINES REAHEED
HOMEPORT DURING WEEKEND. ACCORDING TO DEFENSE DEPARTMENT
ANALYSTS, CERTAIN QUESTIONS RAISED ON PURPOSE OF EXERCISE.
ALSO REFERS TO SECNAV MIDDENDORF SPEECH SAYING SOVIETS
USED EXERCISE TO EVALUATE COMMAND AND CONTROL OF NAVALFORCES
WORLDWIDE.

2. NYT (PAGE 7) HEADLINE "MOSCOW BARS EXIT OF U.S. MAN'S
WIFE" REFERRING TO CASE OF MRS. WOODFORD MCCLELLAN, WHO
CLAIMED SOVIETS ADVISED HER SHE COULD EMIGRATE AND THEN
CHANGED DECISION.

3. SUN (PAGE 1) HEADLINE "SOVIET PRESSES ARABS TO ACCEPT
FACT OF ISRAEL" BY MICHAEL PARKS. STATES SOVIET MIDEAST
PROPOSAL TO ARABS WOULD REQUIRE DE FACTO ARAB RECOGNITION
OF ISRAEL AND RIGHT TO SECURE BOUNDARIES PRIOR TO FULL-
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FLEDGED NEGOTIATIONS ON ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL FROM OCCUPIED

TERRITORY. THERE IS CONSIDERABLE ARAB RESISTANCE.

ALTERNATIVE PROPOSAL CALLS FOR RECONVENING GENEVA CONFERENCE FOR FEW DAYS WITHOUT PALESTINIANS, FOLLOWED BY NEGOTIATIONS ON THEIR PARTICIPATION AS WELL AS SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES.

4.

NYT (PAGE 31) HEADLINE "MEMORIES OF THE MAN IN THE IRON MASK" GIVES EXCERPTS FROM NEW BOOK BY ALEXANDER DOLGUN.

5. WP (PAGE 3) HEADLINE "SOVIETS CHANGE SUB TACTICS"

DATELINE NORFOLK, STATES SOVIETS KEEPING NEWEST DELTA CLASS SUBS CLOSE TO HOME IN BARENTS SEA RATHER THAN ON PATROL OFF ATLANTIC COAST. STORY SPECULATES SUBS COULD SIMPLY BE GOING THROUGH TRAINING MANEUVERS BUT DEVELOPMENT COULD ALSO REFLECT CHANGE IN MISSILE STRATEGY -- BASING MORE STRATEGIC MISSILES AT SEA AS LAND-BASED MISSILES BECOME INCREASINGLY VULNERABLE

6. NYT APRIL 27 "NEWS OF THE WEEK IN REVIEW" CONTAINS LONG ARTICLE BY NAOMI SHEPHERD ON DIFFICULTIES SOVIET JEWS EXPERIENCE IN ADAPTING TO LIFE IN ISRAEL. ARTICLE ENDS WITH STATEMENT THAT "TWO SOVIET ENVOYS VISITING ISRAEL LAST MONTH WERE PRIMARILY CONCERNED NOT WITH PREPARATIONS FOR GENEVA, BUT WITH ESTABLISHING A QUOTA FOR RUSSIAN EMIGRATION." KISSINGER

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